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FOR S/NM AMBASSADOR VANCE AND NEA FOR GRANT AND SCHIFFERDECKER

E.O. 11652: NA

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SUBJ: MEETING WITH UNDP RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE EOBERT A. BORTHWICK

1. FOLLOWING IS UNCLEARED MEMCON FROM CONVERSATION AMBASSADOR VANCE HAD IN AFGHANISTAN WITH UNDP RESREP BORTHWICK ON NOVEMBER 12. ALSO PRESENT WERE: ARTHUR H. HILL, DEPUTY RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE; S.HOELGAARD, REPRESENTATIVE; EDWARD E. JOHNSON, WHITE HOUSE, AND LEE O. COLDREN, ACTING EMBASSY NARCOTICS CONTROL OFFICER. WOULD APPRECIATE S/NM ADVISE WHEN MEMCON CLEARED OR CLEARED WITH CHANGES.

2. QUTE: AMBASSADOR VANCE EXPLAINED HIS MISSION, STATING THAT THE UNITED STATES WAS WILLING TO EFFECT ITS PROGRAMS EITHER BILATERALLY

OR THROUGH REGIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS WHICHEVER SEEMED MOST APPROPRIATE IN THE COUNTRY CONCERNED. IN THIS CONTEXT, AMBASSADOR VANCE STATED THAT IT WAS CLEAR THAT THE GOA PREFERRED UN TO BILATERAL PROGRAMS WITH THE UNITED STATES. HE STATED THAT HE HAD BEEN IMPRESSED BY UNITED NATIONS NARCOTICS ADVISOR

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(UNNA) MAGNUSSEN AND ASKED THE RELATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS

FUND FOR DRUG ABUSE CONTROL (UNFDAC) OPERATION AND THE UNDP
IN AFGHANISTAN.

3. MR BORTHWICK SAID THAT AS RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE THE
OPERATION NATURALLY WAS UNDER HIS AUTHORITY. HOWEVER, HE GAVE
THE IMPRESSION THAT WHILE HE SUPPORTED UNNA MAGNUSSEN'S WORK,
HE DID NOT, FOR VARIOUS REASONS, WANT THE NARCOTICS CONTROL
PROGRAM IDENTIFIED IN THE PUBLIC CONSCIOUSNESS WITH THE UNDP.

4. IN REVIEWING HIS MEETINGS WITH GOA OFFICIALS, AMBASSADOR
VANCE MENTIONED THAT DR GHASUS EXPRESSED OPPOSITION TO THE
PILOT PROGRAM IN PREFERENCE TO THE RESOURCE SURVEY OF BADA KHSHAN.
MESSRS BORTHWICK AND HILL STATED THAT WHILE THEY WERE AWARE
OF THE MFA'S POSITION, THEY NEVERTHELESS HAD BEEN DISCUSSING
THE PILOT PROJECT WITH THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING IN THE LAST
FEW MONTHS AND DID NOT CONSIDER THE PILOT PROJECT A DEAD ISSUE.
THEY POINTED OUT THAT THE PROJECT ITSELF WAS MULTI-SECTOR AND
COULD PROVIDE NECESSARY EXPERIENCE IN THE FIELD FOR THE
BADA KHSHAN SURVEY FAVORED BY THE MFA.

5. AMBASSADOR VANCE SUGGESTED THAT AS IRAN WAS THE VICTIM OF
AFGHAN OPIUM PRODUCTION, IRANIAN FINANCIAL INVOLVEMENT IN SUCH
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS IN AFGHANISTAN AIMED AT THE ELIMINATION
OF POPPY CULTIVATION SEEMED A LOGICAL STEP. IN RESPONSE TO
AMBASSADOR VANCE'S REMARK THAT PERHAPS AFGHANISTAN WOULD PREFER
THAT IRANIAN AID BE CHanneled THROUGH THE UN OR THROUGH A
CONSORTIUM, MR BORTHWICK STATED THAT HE KNEW OF NO REASON WHY
THE GOA WOULD BE CHARY OF IRANIAN BILATERAL ASSISTANCE.

6. AMBASSADOR VANCE REVIEWED THE HISTORY OF THE OPIUM BAN
IN TURKEY NOTING THAT SOME OF THE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS IN THE
OPIUM-PRODUCING AREAS WERE INDEED SUCCESSFUL AS EVIDENCED BY
TURKEY'S WILLINGNESS TO CONTINUE THEM AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE.
AMBASSADOR VANCE EXPRESSED ONCE AGAIN THE UNITED STATES
WILLINGNESS TO SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL EFFORTS THROUGH

UNFDAC. HOWEVER, HE EMPHASIZED THAT OUR EXPERIENCE HAD BEEN
THAT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS WITHOUT CONCURRENT ENFORCEMENT OF A
BAN ON POPPY CULTIVATION WAS FRUITLESS, THE COMMON RESULT BEING
BIGGER AND BETTER POPPIES. END QUOTE.
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